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Applicant	:	Vannuffel, et al.) Group Art Unit 1655
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Appl. No.	:	09/509,234)
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Filed	:	September 25, 2000)
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Examiner	:	Myers, C.)

NOTICE TO COMPLY

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to Comply mailed from the Patent and Trademark Office on November 20, 2000 (Paper No. 7), please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE SEQUENCE LISTING:

Please insert the enclosed sequence listing, pages 1-43.

REMARKS

The amendments made herein conform the application to practice in the United States Patent and Trademark Office. This response to Notice to Comply conforms the sequence listing to the rules of practice specified by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Enclosed herewith are (1) a paper copy of the Sequence Listing, and (2) a computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing.

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The Sequence Listing contains the sequences included in the present in the application as originally filed. The sequences are included as Figures as well as text. The sequence identifiers were included in the Preliminary Amendment of March 17, 2000.

VERIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.821(f) & (g)

The sequences appearing in the attached Sequence Listing was included in the application as filed. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.821(g), no new matter is being added herewith. As required under 37 C.F.R. §1.821(f), I hereby verify that the data on the enclosed disk and the paper copies of the Sequence Listing are identical.

CONCLUSION

Applicants believe this Response to Notice to Comply brings the present application into compliance with the Sequence Listing requirements. Entry and examination on the merits are respectfully requested. Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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